classified information. The exemption does not limit access to that portion of the records in the system which are not exempted or otherwise protected from unauthorized disclosure.

(18) System identification and name— GNSA18, NSA/CSS Operations Files.

Exemption—Portions of this record system may be exempted from subsections of 5 U.S.C. 552a (c)(3), (d)(1)—(5), (e)(4)(G)—(I), and (f)(1)—(5).

Authority-5 U.S.C. 552a(k) (1), (2) and (5).

Reasons—Subsection (c) (3) because there may be occasions when making an accounting available to the individual named in the record at his or her request, would reveal classified information. The release of accounting of disclosure would inform a subject that he or she is under investigation. This information would provide considerable advantage to the subject in providing him or her with knowledge concerning the nature of the investigation and the coordinated investigative efforts and techniques employed by the cooperating agencies.

Subsection (d) because granting access and/ or subsequent amendment to the record would reveal classified information. It may also alert a subject to the fact that an investigation of that individual is taking place, and might weaken the on-going investigation, reveal investigatory techniques, and place confidential informants in jeopardy. NSA/CSS may refuse to confirm or deny the existence of a particular record because to do so would reveal classified information.

Subsection (e)(4)(G), (e)(4)(H), and (e)(4)(I). Although NSA/CSS has published procedures whereby an individual can be notified if a particular record system contains information about themselves; how to gain access to that information; and the source of the information, there may be occasions when confirming that a record exists, granting access, or giving out the source of the information would reveal classified information.

Subsection (f) because the agency's rules are inapplicable to those portions of the system that are exempt and would place the burden on the agency of either confirming or denying the existence of a record pertaining to a requesting individual. The confirming or denying might, in itself, provide an answer to that individual relating to an on-going criminal investigation. The conduct of a successful investigation leading to the indictment of a criminal offender precludes the applicability of established agency rules relating to verification of record, disclosure of the record to that individual, and record amendment procedures for this record system. Also, because this record system is exempt from the individual access provisions of subsection (d).

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AUTHORITY: Privacy Act of 1974, Pub. L. 93–579, Stat. 1896 (5 U.S.C. 552a).

SOURCE: DLAR 5400.21, 51 FR 33595, Sept. 22, 1986, unless otherwise noted. Redesignated at 56 FR 57803, Nov. 14, 1991.

### § 323.1 Purpose and scope.

This part 323 implements the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a) and DoD Directive and DoD Regulation 5400.11, Department of Defense Privacy Program (32 CFR part 286a). It applies to Headquarters, Defense Logistics Agency (HQ DLA) and all DLA field activities.

#### § 323.2 Policy.

It is the policy of DLA to safeguard personal information contained in any system of records maintained by DLA activities and to make that information available to the individual to whom it pertains to the maximum extent practicable. DLA policy specifically requires that DLA activities:

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- (a) Collect, maintain, use, and disseminate personal information only when it is relevant and necessary to achieve a purpose required by statute or Executive Order.
- (b) Collect personal information directly from the individuals to whom it pertains to the greatest extent practical.
- (c) Inform individuals who are asked to supply personal information for inclusion in any system of records:
- (1) The authority for the solicitation.
- (2) Whether furnishing the information is mandatory or voluntary.
- (3) The intended uses of the information.
- (4) The routine disclosures of the information that may be made outside DoD.
- (5) The effect on the individual of not providing all of any part of the requested information.
- (d) Ensure that all records used in making determinations about individuals are accurate, relevant, timely, and complete.
- (e) Make reasonable efforts to ensure that records containing personal information are accurate, relevant, timely, and complete for the purposes for which they are being maintained before making them available to any recipients outside DoD, other than a Federal agency, unless the disclosure is made under DLAR 5400.14, Availability to the Public of Official Information (32 CFR part 1285).
- (f) Keep no record that describes how individuals exercise their rights guaranteed by the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, unless expressly authorized by statute or by the individual to whom the records pertain or is pertinent to and within the scope of an authorized law enforcement activity.
- (g) Make reasonable efforts, when appropriate, to notify individuals whenever records pertaining to them are made available under compulsory legal process, if such process is a matter of public record.
- (h) Establish safeguards to ensure the security of personal information and to protect this information from threats or hazards that might result in substantial harm, embarrassment, inconvenience, or unfairness to the individual.

- (i) Establish rules of conduct for DoD personnel involved in the design, development, operation, or maintenance of any system of records and train them in these rules of conduct.
- (j) Assist individuals in determining what records pertaining to them are being collected, maintained, used, or disseminated.
- (k) Permit individual access to the information pertaining to them maintained in any system of records, and to correct or amend that information, unless an exemption for the system has been properly established for an important public purpose.
- (l) Provide, on request, an accounting of all disclosures of the information pertaining to them except when disclosures are made:
- (1) To DoD personnel in the course of their official duties.
- (2) Under 32 CFR part 1285 (DLAR 5400.14).
- (m) Advise individuals on their rights to appeal any refusal to grant access to or amend any record pertaining to them, and to file a statement of disagreement with the record in the event amendment is refused.

## § 323.3 Definitions.

- (a) *Access.* The review of a record or a copy of a record or parts thereof in a system of records by any individual.
- (b) Agency. For the purpose of disclosing records subject to the Privacy Act among DoD Components, the Department of Defense is considered a single agency. For all other purposes including applications for access and amendment, denial of access or amendment, appeals from denials, and record-keeping as regards release to non-DoD agencies, DLA is considered an agency within the meaning of the Privacy Act.
- (c) Confidential source. A person or organization who has furnished information to the Federal Government under an express promise that the person's or the organization's identity will be held in confidence or under an implied promise of such confidentiality if this implied promise was made before September 27, 1975.
- (d) *Disclosure.* The transfer of any personal information from a system of records by any means of communication to any person, private entity, or